

Africa's Industrialization

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- Effectiveness of Industrial policy is still debatable issue.
- Learning process by doing for us in Africa based on Asian experience.

According to JICA's research on Asian economic growth (2008)

- The government needs to formulate an 'Industrialisation Strategy'.
- The decisive factors are 1) mid- to long-term vision, 2) flexibility in responding to a changing environment, 3) close ties with the private sector.

In Ethiopia

- The government and JICA/GRIPS have 'Industrial policy dialogue' from 2009 for policy learning.
- Key agenda we have picked up are 1) agriculture-led industrialization, 2) productivity improvement through Kaizen, 3) export promotion, 4) FDI attraction including Industrial Park.
- For productivity improvement, JICA supports promotion of Kaizen since 2009,
- Kaizen is a set of tools to introduce 1) rational way of thinking and 2) participatory utilization of tacit knowledge of floor workers.